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#### **STATE OF DELAWARE**

**BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY** 

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Examiners in Optometry

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

**Conference Room B, Cannon Building** 

MINUTES APPROVED:

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Sonja Biddle, Professional Member

Dr. Kevin Brown, Professional Member

Dr. Katherine Miller, Professional Member

Joseph Nestlerode, Public Member

#### **Members Absent**

There were no members absent.

#### **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General Lisa Smith, Administrative Specialist II

## **OTHERS PRESENT**

Carine Tata Elizabeth Lewis

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Brown called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

#### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes of the April 12, 2018 meeting. Dr Biddle, made a motion, seconded by Dr. Miller, to approve the minutes as presented. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

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#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Review of Internship Application(s) for Licensure

The members of the Biard reviewed the application submitted by Tiffany Nguyen. Dr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Dr. Biddle to table the application pending updated supervision form totaling 35 hours of supervision per week. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Dr. Biddle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nestlerode, to approve the Internship application submitted by Carine Tata. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

## Review of Reciprocity Application(s)

The Board reviewed the Reciprocity applications submitted by Maria Higgins and Christina Giles. Dr. Brown, made a motion, seconded by Dr. Biddle to PTD the application based on:

§ 2109 Reciprocity.

The Board shall waive the internship requirement for an applicant holding a valid license to practice optometry issued by another jurisdiction and who has practiced for a minimum of 5 years in such other jurisdiction with standards of licensure which are equal to or greater than those of this chapter and grant a license by reciprocity to such applicant.

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Reciprocity application submitted by Glenn Allouche. Dr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nestlerode to table the application pending copies of the Optometry Licensure laws from New York and Vermont, as well as Dr. Allouche's work history from DC.

## Ratification of Application(s) for Optometry Internship

Dr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nestlerode to ratify the Internship applications submitted by Victoria Dzurinko, Kristin Vincent and Lila Goodwin. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

#### Ratification of CE Approval Request(s)

Dr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Dr. Miller to ratify Continuing Education request from:

Eye Care of Delaware- Neuro-Opthalmic Emergencies- 2Hours

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

The members of the Board reviewed the letters submitted by ARBO and Nemours (Comments to Proposed Regulations.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

#### OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (for discussion only)

## **Board Elections**:

Dr. Biddle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nestlerode to nominate Dr. Brown for Board Chair. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Dr. Biddle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nestlerode to nominate Dr. Miller for Vice Chair.

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Dr. Biddle made a motion, seconded by Dr. Brown to nominate Mr. Nestlerode for Board Secretary. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room B, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Dr. Brown made a motion, seconded by Dr. Miller, to adjourn the meeting at 5:13 p.m. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Smith

Administrative Specialist II

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal.